

NEW HOTEL COMPANY CONTRACTS WITH ARCHITECTS FOR HOTEL PLANS

The plans for the new big Flagstaff hotel were placed in the hands of Trost & Trost, the big architects of El Paso, Texas, at a meeting of the directors of the Flagstaff Hotel Company Tuesday evening. Trost & Trost have been the architects for a number of the biggest hotels in the southwest, including the Paso del Norte, Gadsden, at Douglas, the Santa Rita at Tucson and many other public buildings. They make a specialty of drawing plans for big hotel buildings, and their contract with the local company calls for submitting plans until the directors are satisfied with the proposed building, and then to supervise the construction of it under the direction of a competent engineer.

Architect Eisenbraut, the Arizona

representative of the firm, was in Flagstaff and met with the directors; his proposition was accepted from seven which had been submitted to them.

H. C. Trost, the senior member of the firm, was in Flagstaff some weeks ago to get a view of the location and conditions surrounding in order to better submit a building and plans to suit the locality. As evidence of his belief that a big hotel building would be a paying proposition in Flagstaff, he agreed to take a liberal amount of the stock if the building was built.

The directors have been putting forth every effort to get the financial end of the game going, and to prepare for actual clearing of ground and doing all preliminaries this fall.

EXPLAINS WOMAN'S CAUSE IN REPLY TO OPEN LETTER

Miss Vivian Pierce, who left on Wednesday night for Williams, the Grand Canyon and points west, where she will continue to organize for the woman's party to bring about the complete enfranchisement of women, reported before she left that her three meetings in Flagstaff had filled her with confidence in the outcome of the election in November. "The advance guard of women, here as elsewhere, are ready to put 'suffrage first.' The rest will follow in large numbers before the election in November. I believe the women of Arizona will refuse to support a candidate who has for years opposed the national enfranchisement of women."

"Of course there are many narrowly partisan women who infer that our party is a blackmailing party out to 'deliver' the vote of western women to Hughes. One of our old-time members in Williams sent an open letter to me in this vein. In justice to the women who have read the letter of Mrs. Kate Williams of Williams, a woman of splendid intelligence whom we are sorry to see unable to rise above partisanship, I sent the following reply:

"My Dear Mrs. Williams: If you do not believe that to the women of this nation suffrage is the foremost political issue of the day, you certainly do not belong in either the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage or the Woman's Party."

"When you joined the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, of which the Woman's Party is merely the western wing, you signed a card which admitted you only on condition that you believed 'woman suffrage the foremost political issue of the day,' to be worked for 'without considering the interests of any national political party.'"

"For four years the democratic party has consistently opposed the enfranchisement of the women of this nation nationally, the reform we are in existence to further. President Wilson's opposition has been outstanding in spite of the fact that western democrats have pleaded for a hearing for national suffrage."

"The woman's party is merely asking those women who believe that only with the enfranchisement of women can there be a real democracy, to deny their support to a party that does not believe in the speediest road to the enfranchisement of women. We are not telling women how to vote. We are telling them how NOT to vote if they place women above party. You forget that every party except the Democratic party is in favor of the national enfranchisement of women."

"We are not attempting to 'deliver' the western woman vote. We could not. There are too many partisan women like yourself. We believe, however, that thousands of women, enough to constitute the balance of power in this election, will vote against Wilson for the same reason that many men will—he has failed to satisfy them."

"Your remark that eastern women do not want suffrage simply shows that you are ill-informed as to the situation in the east, where the failure to pass suffrage grows out of the large foreign vote, combined with the alliance of corrupt interests."

"I would add that our organization, which you hastily joined, did not work for suffrage planks last June, as you would have realized had you followed our activities. Planks in platform, politicians' promises for the future, do not interest us. We realize that THIS administration CAN pass suffrage when it cares to take the

same interest in national freedom for American women that it has taken in Indians and Filipinos.

"If the splendid declaration of Mr. Hughes on national suffrage failed to crystallize into action in the event of his election, our organization would steadily oppose his administration as we now oppose the democratic. We are, I repeat, a non-partisan organization formed to pass the national suffrage amendment, and pledged to put woman suffrage first, instead of party."

Very sincerely,
VIVIAN PIERCE."

GUS RIEMER, PIONEER SHEEPMAN, IS DEAD

Gus Riemer, one of the pioneer sheepmen of northern Arizona, passed away in Los Angeles Monday, while undergoing an operation for stomach trouble.

There was no more lovable man in the whole state than Gus Riemer; he was one of the first successful sheepmen in the country, and one who never flinched at the hardships entailed during the early days on the range. At one time he was the partner of James May, and the two were among the well-to-do sheepmen of that time. Later, bad luck and bad years reduced him to a mere pittance, but with his usual perseverance he again secured a small fortune and retired from business.

During the past few years he married and made his home in Williams, where he had built a comfortable home to spend the declining years of his life.

He was a man, and will be remembered as such by those who knew him best.

CANDIDATES SPEND ALL NIGHT HELPING AUTOS OUT

Tom Campbell, the republican candidate for governor, accompanied by George H. Smalley, candidate for state tax commissioner, and Doane Merrill, candidate for state auditor, returned to Flagstaff Wednesday in their famous gasoline burning brute, owing to the fact that recent rains had badly puddled the roads in the eastern counties. It had been their intention to go south to Springerville and from there to Globe, thus swinging around the circle, but there appeared too much trouble ahead to attempt it, from reports received from other travelers.

The gallant party of campaigners helped a party of New York ladies out of a bad mud hole about fifteen miles this side of Winslow, where eleven other autos got stuck in succession. The campaigners stayed with the job all night, but kept the road open to all comers.

Making a state wide campaign in an auto has its strenuous side, but as a vote getter all the candidates agree that it gets down among the people who are doing the voting and affords the real opportunity of getting acquainted, not only with the people, but the wants of the people, as well as local conditions.

The party went enthusiastically on their way south, firmly impressed with the fact that the people are with them this year.

Big Fruit Crop at Tuba.

Supt. Walter Runke was in from Tuba this week, bringing in a few samples of the pear crop. Supt. Runke says that the Indian farms around Tuba never produced a better fruit crop than they did this year. A number of years have been spent in getting fruit trees planted and brought to a bearing stage, but from now on they expect to be able to supply a great amount of fruit to Flagstaff.

CAMPBELL AND KIBBEY REMEMBER SOLDIERS

The enlisted men of Arizona, numbering nearly one thousand, have just been made happy by a huge shipment of smoking supplies from the combined Red Cross societies of Phoenix and Glendale. Among many other good things, there more than enough Campbell cigarettes and Velvet Smokarols to go around.

And thereby hangs a tale. It was a lucky thing for the boys that the feminine head of the smoker committee did not know very much about tobacco, and wrote to military headquarters for suggestions. The boys almost unanimously asked for Campbell cigarettes, which gave the lady chairman a bright thought.

She went immediately to the headquarters of the Republican state central committee and consulted Tom Campbell, who was just starting north on a campaigning trip. She intimated strongly to him that a few boxes of Campbell cigarettes from him would be acceptable as well as appropriate, and was so encouraged when he promised her a thousand packages that she turned to Joseph H. Kibbey, who is running on the republican ticket for the United States senate and secured a contribution for smoking tobacco and pipes.

With a truly feminine sense of the eternal fitness of things she invested Kibbey's generous donation in Velvet Smokarols—Velvet Joe, of course—and the necessary pipes.

These contributions were the first to be received, and luck seemed to follow them, for the committee in charge of the smoker campaign reports the receipt of a great variety of donations from business houses and private citizens of Phoenix and Glendale.

The chairman of the committee was so delighted with the success of the campaign that she forgot all about her promise to keep the secret of the popular candidates, and the story of the "autographed" smokes leaked out through the local papers.

WOMEN GREATLY INTERESTED IN REPUBLICAN WORK

The Flagstaff Republican Club held a very interesting meeting last Monday evening, which was well attended by both ladies and men.

One of the main features of the meeting was an address by Miss Vivian Pierce, who is organizing the women of the county for woman's suffrage in order that nation wide suffrage may be obtained in the United States. She presented forceful arguments why the ladies should be interested in the subject, not from a party point of view, but in the interest of the women of the whole country. She avowed that her party had no candidates and only one platform—woman suffrage—a vote along with that of the men, Indians and others who have been taken into partnership with the governmental affairs of the United States. She advised that President Wilson was "interested" in the subject; other democratic representatives of the state had been against their movement, consequently the women of the country were for the republican nominees, because they were not only for the woman movement, but were doing what they could to help it along.

In Coconino county the voter, woman or man, are at the mercy of the county recorder, who seems to think his only duty is to register democrats who are in line with his beliefs; you may register otherwise if you insist. The people seem to feel that when they pay their taxes into the county treasury, it is neither democratic, republican or socialist money, but coin of the realm to be expended in the interest of the whole people of the county; that any officer shall consider himself the whole people and their special guardian because of their mental inability, is resented by the average voter.

There was a representative gathering at the meeting, including a number of the west end candidates who addressed the meeting, and a special meeting was called for next Monday evening, the day preceding the primaries, when all are expected to come for a last conference before the big game opens on the last lap of the campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kerley came in from Tolchaco yesterday. Mrs. Kerley will remain in Flagstaff for the next few months with her baby, owing to ill health. Mr. Kerley has leased a house for the time being in the Slipher neighborhood close to Observatory hill.

CHEAP SKATE WOULD RAFFLE OFF TO WOMAN

Governor Hunt received a letter that was almost dumbfounding. It practically took him off his feet and set him to thinking more seriously than at any time previously in his campaign. It has to do with a very important subject, that of matrimony.

The letter was from a woman, or possibly a girl, she failed to state which, giving her initials and address, but not her name, who lives in Washington, D. C. She is looking for information and incidentally a husband.

The letter enclosed a clipping from the Washington Evening Star of August 8, which stated that the third assistant postmaster general had received an application from an Arizona man to aid him in raffling himself off to one of 2500 women. His proposition is to sell tickets on himself at \$1 per shot. A drawing is then to take place, and the lucky woman can have him and \$2,500 to start life with.

The unknown man who is so anxious to get married, states that his reason for taking this novel manner of getting married is on account of the shortage of women in Arizona. The available supply has dropped to such an extent, he says, that it is almost impossible to get a bride, unless unmercifully rich, or good looking beyond the dreams of avarice.

The woman who writes to Governor Hunt states that she is anxious to get into communication with the gentleman who is so anxious to take the fatal step, but does not know his address or name. She thought that perhaps the governor, with his wide acquaintance, might know the guilty person.

PAVING IDEA STILL CONTINUES TO GROW

Another block of paving has been added to the contract now being completed by the California - Arizona Construction Company in Flagstaff.

Property owners on East Aspen Avenue have signed up for the block in which the Coconino Sun is located, and it was promised that preliminary work of preparing the street for the paving would commence today or tomorrow. This will cover the main part of the business district of the town for the present, though there is every evidence that the business district of the town will soon widen out and demand more paving to keep up with the march of progress Flagstaff is making.

After some years of trials and tribulations, in which the Sun endeavored to do its share in convincing the business men and the people generally that the improvement of the property owned was a good investment, and gave as good a percentage of profit as in taking the same care of other business interests, the change has come about.

At times the game was discouraging, but the people kept on electing men with progressive ideas, one set after another, wearing out one bunch with contentions and details, but getting more enthusiasm with the next bunch. It was the same old game that every growing town has gone through until some tangible results were obtained—then progress was rapid and sure.

Opportunities in Flagstaff are just as great today, for the man who grasps the idea and develops it, as they were at any time in its existence, in fact better, for the long years of pioneering have been done and there is no question as to the future of the city.

There is only one difference now—heretofore they had to bring business to you, now you have to go and get it.

Helped Out Many Autoists.

Rev. F. G. Mitchell proved a very efficient help to the many automobilists who made the trip to the snake dance last month. The river was up on account of the recent rains, and he with a force of Indians he had rustled for the purpose helped many an auto party across in safety. He received much credited praise from the people on their return to Flagstaff.

CORONER'S JURY IN PRESCOTT CASE FINDS DEATH WAS CAUSED BY UNKNOWN PARTIES

Mystery still surrounds the killing of "Dutch May" and her supposed husband, whose remains were found in a badly burned condition, both shot through the head and their throats cut in a small shack in the rear of the woman's house in the redlight district.

The coroner's jury, after putting in a day and part of the night listening to the testimony of witnesses, rendered the following verdict, at about 12 o'clock last Thursday night.

"We, the jury, find that the deceased came to their deaths by knife and gunshot wounds inflicted by parties unknown."

The jury was composed of the following men:

W. H. Anderson, Frank Service, Paul Keller, Dennis Hibben, H. C. Lockett, P. M. Falder, A. J. Diamond, who had been summoned, was sworn in and viewed the bodies, but was afterwards excused.

The testimony in the case was pretty much the same as was given in the Sun last week, and there were few new developments.

A small store house constructed of corrugated iron was inspected by Judge Harrington, City Marshal Murray and Assistant County Attorney Wall. The building was a short distance from the board shack where the tragedy occurred. The door of this was found open and blood clots liberally sprinkled on the floor. There was a print of a bloody hand on the side of the door, showing that the murderer had visited this place on his bloody errand. The place was used as a small store room. Nothing was found disturbed, and it was impossible to ascertain what the murderer visited the place for.

A letter was received from the dead man's sister from Kansas City, which

states that Prescott's father and mother were both living in that city, but were too old and feeble to come here, and were without the necessary means to send for the remains.

No response was received from the address given by Prescott in his short note, from the women in Santa Barbara, California, who is supposed to be his wife. He had shown a picture of the woman and child to friends here some time before the crime occurred, and claimed they were photos of his wife and child.

The woman's trunk was found opened and blood was found spattered over the garments it contained, also a bloody gun. So far as known nothing was taken from the trunk, though there was considerable valuable jewelry put away in it.

"Dutch May's" father, whose name was Peter Sutter, was located at Portland, Oregon, and advised of the tragedy. In a letter to Coroner Harrington he stated that he did not have sufficient funds to send for the remains of his daughter, and asked that she be buried here.

No new evidence has been produced to shed new light on the affair, and the general opinion seems to be that it was a double murder, though there are very slight grounds to base it upon. A number had heard the couple quarreling during the afternoon and at night. There was no question but they had been having some personal trouble over affairs that had arisen since his returning from Texas the previous Saturday night.

Funeral services were held over the remains of the unfortunate couple at the Whipple undertaking parlors Saturday afternoon, and the remains of the two were buried in the city cemetery.

GARAGE STARTS A SHORT BUT EXPENSIVE FIRE

The Northern Arizona Motor Co. garage started some excitement yesterday afternoon when it sent up a black column of smoke enveloping pretty much the whole building.

The fire originated in the vulcanizing room, where a gasoline fire had been kept burning. The surroundings of the room were of wood and it did not take but a short time after the explosion to start flames all over the building.

The damage was mainly to the interior of the room where the vulcanizing was done, and to the roof of the building. Two new cars were damaged by having their tops badly burned, one of them a total wreck, while the other was taken out when only partially consumed. A motorcycle also received a bunch of combustion, but was mainly to the good when taken out. Several cars in the garage were taken out before any damage was done them.

The building is a concrete structure with a concrete floor; the vulcanizing room was but a frame affair adjoining the office, and this with the roof received the greatest part of damage done by the flames.

J. W. Francis, who owns the building, had leased the repair part of the place and only has charge of the storage and sales end of the garage.

The fire was of only a short duration, but the damage done before the auto truck and fire company reached the place will amount to a couple of thousand dollars or more.

Moyer in Business For Himself.

Clem Moyer, who has been employed by different livery and transfer companies for a long period of years, started out with an outfit of his own last Wednesday, having severed his connection with the Lightning Delivery Co. He wants a part of your business and is willing to hustle for it.

Mr. W. G. Rock, whose general make-up would make some several stone tonnage, was in Flagstaff Tuesday from Winslow. Mr. Rock is in charge of the Babbitt meat department in that city. He was much surprised at the general activity of Flagstaff, the paved streets and climate, and the necessity of keeping out of the way of street traffic. While he was not literally carried away with the Flagstaff water, he was a liberal patron of the different fountains and vouchsafed the information that many people of Winslow were also using it liberally, two cars a day being sent them for "personal use" instead of the regular variety the company had been giving them.

VISITOR COMPLIMENTS FLAGSTAFF'S ACTIVITY

L. C. Welch, who returned Friday last from a trip to Arizona, was speaking of those places which impressed him most from their activity, and stated that Flagstaff gave him an idea of what enterprise and civic pride accomplished in the building of a town and community. He reports Flagstaff as putting on metropolitan airs, and making street improvements of the same character as found in the larger cities, and on every hand was found an activity and unity of purpose which drove home the fact that only desirable results can be obtained where the people responded quickly to civic pride and public betterment. Mr. Welch said that he so fully enjoyed the beauty of the town and country at Flagstaff, and its excellent summer climate, that in selecting a place for spending the summer he would prefer the Arizona city to any place on the coast.

Louie, however, admitted that when he landed back in Needles, after seeing all the grand country, and the lively towns, that Needles never looked better to him, and that every possibility noted elsewhere he found that Needles was equally strong in.

And Flagstaff is a dry town, in a dry state.—Needles Nugget.

TWO INSANITY CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT YESTERDAY

Lorenzo Pereida was found wandering around in the Anderson Mesa country, down near Mormon Lake, last week, preaching to the sheep he had been herding for Colin Campbell and otherwise behaving queerly. He was found by the rustler and brought to Flagstaff. He was tried for insanity yesterday and the decision was that he had gathered together many delusions and was adjudged insane and ordered to the asylum by Judge Perkins.

Elisario Archuleta, a young boy about sixteen years of age, a recent arrival from Zachataces, Mexico, was found wandering around in the first precinct near the Jakle residence a couple of days ago, and arrested. He seemed to have been some queer, but on questioning during the examination it was learned that he had come from Mexico only a short time ago and had nearly starved to death. When he got to Flagstaff he had been given a few square meals, which seemed to have caused him considerable mental and physical misery for the time being. He was declared sane and liberated.

J. S. Harrington returned from the south last week, where he has put in the summer.